

Our Stock is the Largest and Most Complete Ever Shown in Our City.

GUNS, Powder, Shot, Caps LOADED SHELLS, HUNTING COATS.

Brass and Japanned Coal Vases, Brass and Steel Fire Sets, Coal Buckets and Pans, Shovels, Ebony, Ivory and Pearl Handle Table Cutlery, Pocket Knives, Scissors and Razors.

FRANK OWENS HARDWARE CO.

is improperly wrapped or contains eggs, liquids or very fragile articles.

Nearly all foreign countries insure letters and packages up to \$10 in their domestic service without extra fee.

Turning to the regulations of the International Postal Union, one finds that the sender of a registered letter package to a foreign country is entitled to \$10 in case of loss, unless the latter has been occasioned by "force majeure".

The adoption by Uncle Sam of an indemnity limited to \$10 would increase the confidence of the public at very little cost.

The registry system practically prevents dishonesty on the part of postal employees. Every person who handles a registered letter or package must give a receipt for it.

It is considered most desirable that valuable packages should be taken out of the ordinary mails, where their presence is a constant temptation to postal employees.

It is astonishing how reckless business men are in this matter. Every month about 1,200 letters, without a word of su-

scription on the envelope, reach the Dead Letter Office. These are among the most valuable letters lost in the mails.

During the fiscal year the Postoffice Department received 5,290 complaints of losses of registered domestic mail matter. Of these 3,847 were investigated, and it was found that in 2,456 of the cases there had been no loss at all.

The United States Government uses the registry system to a large extent, sending 2,500,000 packages and letters in this way annually, containing \$100,000,000 in bonds, currency and revenue stamps.

A Great Book Free! When Dr. E. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N.Y., published the first edition of his great work, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, he announced that after 600,000 copies had been sold at the regular price \$1.50 per copy, the profit on which would repay him for the great amount of labor and money expended in producing it.

For cheap Ribbons for fancy work, go to Mrs. L. V. Davis, Zweigart Block.

Hon. Charles B. Poyntz of this city has gone with ex-Governor Brown and a few others on a trip to the City of Mexico.

Haucke's Band will give a five-night Concert and Hop at Neptune Hall, beginning Christmas eve.

The advertising columns of THE LEDGER speak for themselves. They show that people who know how to advertise know also where to advertise.

If you want a reliable dye that will color an even brown, or black, and will please and satisfy you every time, use Buckingham's Dye for the Whites.

For bargains in Ribbons, Feathers, Flowers, Hats, -trimmed and untrimmed, -at cost, go to Mrs. L. V. Davis, Zweigart Block. These are fresh goods, new and stylish.

L. C. Blatterman, Room No. 8, Cox Building, Agent Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, 29 years old, Old Line, courteously invites his friends and the public to call. Reliable life insurance at moderate cost. Several plans to offer.

Referring to the new names and new faces in Congress every two years, James G. Blaine once said: "The personnel changes, but the percentage of d--n fools remains the same."

Major C. T. Picton is Manager of the State Hotel at Denison, Texas, which the traveling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified indorsement." For sale by J. James Wood, Druggist.

REGISTERED MAIL UNSAFE.

GOVERNMENT WON'T PAY INDEMNITY IN CASE OF LOSS.

Big Falling Off in the Business Due to This Fact--In Nearly All Other Countries the Sender is Recommended--Interesting Figures.

One hundred and five registered letters were destroyed by the burning of a mail-car at Newport, Tenn., the other day. Undoubtedly nearly all of them contained sums of money.

No wonder that the registry business of the Postoffice Department is steadily diminishing. The people are losing confidence in the system as a means of insurance.

When a mail-car or Postoffice is robbed it is always the registered matter, advertised on its face as valuable, that is taken.

The remedy is very simple. The Government ought to grant compensation for registered letters lost or destroyed.

Nearly all foreign countries give such insurance. In Great Britain, for example, the registration fee is only four cents, and if the letter is not safely delivered to the addressee an indemnity of \$10 is paid to the loser.

It is stated in the postal regulations of the United Kingdom, rather quaintly, that payment of such insurance will be made by the Postmaster General "not in consequence of legal liability, but voluntarily and as an act of grace."

Registration of money or jewelry is compulsory; such articles are not permitted to be sent in the ordinary mails.

At the same time parcels addressed to foreign parts cannot be registered, though for India they may be insured. The British Government pays up to \$10 for the value of any ordinary unregistered package that is lost in its mail service.

THAT IMMENSE STOCK

CHRISTMAS GOODS!

Has arrived, and will be opened up for sale on Monday, Dec. 16th. The quantity will be great, the quality will be the best and prices will be below all competition.

In order that the public may form an idea of how cheap they can buy of me I give a few quotations, and the same low prices will rule on all goods:

- 4 lbs best Grocers Mixed Candy... 25c
4 lbs best Phoenix Mixed Candy... 25c
4 lbs best Home-Made Mixed Candy... 25c
4 lbs best Pure Stick Candy... 25c
4 lbs best Gum Drops... 25c
1 lb best New Mixed Nuts... 10c

- 6 lbs best 9-Crown Raisins... 25c
4 lbs best 4-Crown Raisins... 25c
3 lbs best New Figs... 25c
3 lbs best New Dates... 25c
3 lbs best New Cleaned Currants... 25c
All new, fresh and clean goods.

NOW, BOYS,

- 5 Packs Best Fire-crackers... 10c
6 Ball Roman Candle only... 1c
8 Ball Roman Candle only... 2c
10 Ball Roman Candle only... 3c
15 Ball Roman Candle only... 4c
20 Ball Roman Candle only... 5c

JUST LOOK!

My house, as usual, will be Headquarters for Fat Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Chickens, Game, Oysters in can and bulk, Celery, Cranberries, Oranges, Lemons, Bananas and Fruits of all kinds.

My Stock of Everything is Now Full and Complete.

In addition, I have a large quantity of Candies of all kinds in buckets, suitable for Schools and Sunday-schools, on which I can give special low prices.

R. B. LOVELL

THE LEADING GROCER.

J. W. Ferguson, President of the De posit Bank at Paris, is dead.

William Gabby has been appointed Administrator of Mrs. Mary Gabby.

Mr. Ed. Richeson is much better, and it is now thought that his leg will be saved.

The Rev. Marshall Gray of the Christian Church has been granted license to perform the rites of matrimony.

W. H. Rice, Thomas Downing and J. N. Lee have been appointed appraisers of the personality of the late Mrs. Mary Gabby.

Building Association Receipts. The receipts of the several Building Associations of this city Saturday night were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Association Name, Amount. Mason County \$ 436 89, Limestone 498 49, People's 363 20, Total \$1,298 58

ALEX. B. GREENWOOD ILL.

A Former Maysvillian Dangerously Sick at Knoxville, Tenn.

Mr. Alex. B. Greenwood, who moved from this city to Cincinnati a year or so since, and subsequently went to Knoxville, Tenn., is seriously ill at the latter place.

A telegram brought the news, and his son William left yesterday for Knoxville.

Mr. Greenwood was for more than twenty years a resident of Maysville, and he has many warm friends here who will be sorry to learn of his illness.

GONE AWAY TO WED.

Mr. Harry B. Owens Left This Morning For Illinois.

Mr. Harry B. Owens, one of Maysville's popular young gentlemen, left this morning on the 6:10 Westbound C. and O.

He was ticketed for Virden, Ill. Arriving there, he will, on Wednesday next, at the home of Judge and Mrs. J. E. Bolton, be married to their niece, Miss Lottie Perrine, formerly of this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Owens will make a visit of several days to St. Louis, and returning to this city will make their home with Mrs. Colonel Frank S. Owens, West Front street.

It will require a little over \$12,000 in hard cash to pay this year's dividend to stockholders of the Mason County Building Association.

Maysville Section No. 1044, Endowment Rank, K. of P., elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President--William R. Archdeacon, Vice-President--W. T. Martin, Secretary--M. F. Marsh.

Ob, no; it doesn't pay to advertise; but an announcement of THE LEDGER'S Christmas Page, inserted twice in this paper, resulted in filling every space. The only place now left is a few inches for Local Readers, at a very low rate, and copy must be furnished today if you want a place there.

MUST HAVE IT.

This is the last call to the feast! If you want a few lines of "Local Readers" in our Christmas Page copy must be sent in before 5 o'clock this afternoon.

ROMANTIC MARRIAGE.

Rev. John Cheap Unites a Happy Couple at Greenup.

About four years ago Mr. T. W. Breckinridge of Greenup advertised for a lady correspondent.

His advertisement was answered by Miss Blanche McClenathen, a school-teacher of Iowa.

For a long time the correspondence was conducted under assumed names. But as interest and affection grew, each party disclosed their real identity, and an engagement followed.

This culminated in a happy marriage a few days ago, the ceremony by the Rev. John Cheap, formerly of this city.

The groom is wealthy, the owner of several sawmills and much forest land in the county.

DEATH AT CINCINNATI YESTERDAY OF MR. V. O. PINCKARD.

Mr. V. O. Pinckard, aged about 73, died at his home in Cincinnati at 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

Deceased was a member of the old-time hardware firm of Owens, Pinckard & Barkley of this city, but after the destruction of that firm's property by fire he went to Cincinnati and engaged in the shoe business, from which he retired some years since with a handsome competency.

He leaves a widow, who was a daughter of the late E. P. Hudnut of this city, and a son, Dr. Charles Pinckard of Chicago.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS

At Honan's old stand. Monday, December 16th, we will open up a big line of Toys of all kinds, for all kind of children, at prices that will surprise you.

WITH ONE EXCEPTION.

I'm a man who's most unbending, Who reviles Woman's follies, never ending-- Woman's wiles.

I'm a chronic woman hater, Yet there's one who proves me traitor When she smiles.

Woman's time with utter folly She beguiles, And there's something melancholy In her styles.

I can take her mental measure, Prove she lives for naught but pleasure, But there's one who seems a treasure When she smiles.

You may hear me often try to Hide my love, With suggestions women fly to Some good school: At the sex I'm ever ralling, But I find I have one falling-- When she smiles I cease my wailing, As a rule.

You may think in what I'm saying I but drool; That, in fact, while thus inveighing, I'm a fool; But I tell you most sincerely I'm a woman hater clearly, And this one exception merely Proves the rule.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For the Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS. White streamer--FAIR; Blue--RAIN or SNOW; With Black ABOVE--WILL WARMER GROW.

If Black's BENEATH--COLDER'll be; Unless Black's shown--no change we'll see.

The above forecasts are made for a period of thirty-six hours, ending at 8 o'clock on tomorrow evening.

The West End Brickpile needs a new roof.

Versailles has increased the saloon license from \$250 to \$750.

The Oddfellows want to exchange their handsome organ for an Aeolian, the latest musical machine.

We will keep our store open every night until after the holidays.

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The remains will be brought here on the 1:30 train tomorrow afternoon, and the interment will be at the Maysville Cemetery.

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The wife of Dr. D. Robinson, a prominent lumberman of Hartwick, N. Y., was sick with rheumatism for five months. In speaking of it, Mr. Robinson says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only thing that gave her any rest from pain. For the relief of pain it cannot be beat."

Many very bad cases of rheumatism have been cured by it. For sale at 50 cents per bottle by J. James Wood, Druggist.

SWEEPSTAKES

LARGEST IN THE CITY.

Purely Business!

The columns of a newspaper represent a cash value. No publisher can afford to give advertising "notices" free any more than a merchant can pass over his counter free gifts of dry goods or shoes.

The Continued Calls

upon THE LEDGER for free notices have become so burdensome that we are forced to publish the following terms:

For Notices of Suppers,

excursions, fairs, or other public entertainments where a fee is charged, and for ordinary notices, resolutions of respect, &c., THE LEDGER will charge FIVE CENTS A LINE, and hereafter this will be the invariable rule.

Does Not Include

notices of Lodge meetings or Church services, which must not exceed ten lines.

Avoidance of Disputes.

Misunderstandings are unpleasant. The rate for Business Leads in THE LEDGER is 10 cents a line for the first insertion and 5 cents a line for subsequent insertions.

All matter for publication must be handed in before 9 o'clock in the morning of each day.

ARRIVALS

Mr. Charles B. Poyntz is visiting in Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burrows arrived home Saturday.

John W. Rice has returned from Ross, La., to spend Christmas.

Miss Lide Helm has returned from a protracted visit to Cincinnati.

Mr. Horace Wilson is home from school to spend the holidays with relatives.

Colonel Gus Simmons came up Saturday night to spend Sunday at his home in Aberdeen.

Major Henry McClanahan is in this city, called here by the illness of Miss Maggie Winters.

Mrs. George Bruce of Covington has returned home after a visit to her mother, Mrs. J. M. Evans.

Verner Dryden succeeds R. V. Dryden & Co. in the Sixth Ward.

Superintendent James Limerick of the Street Railway is better this morning.

The Limestone Milling Company will probably erect coal and salt elevators at their mill in the Fifth Ward.

Mr. C. B. Case, formerly of this city, is now making his home on the farm of Dr. A. N. Ellis, some distance above Aberdeen.

Special meeting of Pisgah Encampment, I. O. O. F., tonight. Work in all the Degrees. Come early and bring your breakfast.

Colonel Harn of the Flemingsburg Bus Line has put in an oil heater, and patrons of his bus line are now kept comfortable.

"Imperial Order," a twenty five box of Clear Havana Cigars, will be an appropriate Christmas present for a gentleman friend. Smith & Co.

John Wheeler has our thanks for a box of old-time candy, made of pure materials, and if you want some of the same kind his store is the place to get it.

William Sons, Napoleon Shackelford and Hard Loughbridge were taken to the Frankfort Penitentiary Saturday morning by Sheriff Jefferson and Mr. Charles Conlin.

Mr. Thomas T. Worthington, one of the county's most respected farmers, died near Tuckahoe a few days ago, aged 69. The interment was at Germantown Saturday.

When you want goods that are first-class call and see us. "Trash we don't keep." Our stock is the most complete in the city, our prices the lowest, quality of goods considered. Call, let us show you our line of Watches; the prices are the lowest ever offered.